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THE FINAL END OF VICE-PRESIDENT HOBART

Expired at His Home In New Jersey Yesterday Morning at Seven O'clock.

ELABORATE FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Members of the Senate Will Attend In a Body—Many Expressions of Esteem from Political Friends and Opponents—Interment Fixed for Saturday.

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—The news of the death of Vice-President Hobart was received with regret by the members of the democratic national executive committee, who without exception, spoke highly of the dead republican leader, both as a public official and as a private citizen. Senator Jones said:

"Vice-President Hobart, as presiding officer of the United States senate, was fair and just at all times. He was an ideal presiding officer."

PATERSON, N. J., Nov. 21.—Vice-President Hobart died at 8:20 a. m. The vice-president had been failing since late yesterday afternoon, although reports given out at the house were that he was holding his own. Soon after midnight he became unconscious, and at 7 this morning had an attack of angina pectoris, from which he never rallied.

Mrs. Hobart, Garrett Hobart, Jr., Dr. Newton, Mrs. Newton, who is a cousin of Mrs. Hobart, and Miss Alice Waddell, nurse, were at the patient's bedside constantly from the time he became unconscious. Before Hobart became unconscious he was able to converse with Mrs. Hobart about some private affairs. He was very patient, and showed his remarkable will power to the last.

Soon after the news of Hobart's death was announced, telegrams of condolence began to arrive at Carroll Hall. Among the first to send words of sympathy and condolence to Mrs. Hobart were President McKinley and Mrs. McKinley. Mrs. Hobart bears up well under her great bereavement.

The flags on the city hall and other public buildings were half-masted, as were also flags on many private buildings and dwellings. The bell on the city hall was tolled at intervals during the forenoon. The Passaic court adjourned in token of respect to the dead vice-president, and the business houses and public buildings in Paterson are being draped. A special meeting of the common council was called for noon at the city hall to take suitable action on Hobart's death.

The vice-president's private offices in the city were closed as soon as his death was announced. The funeral will probably be held next Saturday, although no public announcement has yet been made.

FUNERAL ON SATURDAY.

PATERSON, Nov. 21.—Vice-President Hobart's funeral will take place Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Church of the Redeemer (Presbyterian).

REALIZED THE END.

PATERSON, N. J., Nov. 21.—Mr. Hobart realized a few hours before he became unconscious that he was near his death and he said to those about the bedside:

"I know that my time is nearly up, but death is welcome to me."

OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—President McKinley this afternoon issued a proclamation announcing the death of Vice-President Hobart.

The president directs that upon the day of the funeral the executive offices of the United States shall be closed and all stations of the army and navy shall display the national flag at half-mast and that representatives of the United States in foreign countries shall pay

appropriate tribute to the illustrious dead for a period of 30 days.

ENTIRE SENATE ASKED.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Sergeant-at-arms Bright, of the senate, after consultation with the president pro tem, Frye, decided that instead of sending the usual limited committee to attend the funeral of the vice-president, that each member of the senate would be requested to be there as one of a committee of the whole. He accordingly sent a message to every senator, notifying him of his selection.

The funeral will be held next Saturday, and the committee will meet in New York city, and proceed to Paterson by a special train.

TO BE LARGELY ATTENDED.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Vice-President Hobart's funeral will be attended by the members of the cabinet, the supreme court, the senate in a body and a large committee from the house of representatives, besides many dignitaries of government.

SENATOR FRYE WILL SUCCEED.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—By the death of Mr. Hobart, Senator William F. Frye of Maine, becomes the president pro tem of the senate and will discharge all the duties of vice-presiding officer of the senate. The senate rules specifically provide that no election is necessary at the beginning of the session. Senator Frye accordingly will continue as presiding officer till the end of President McKinley's administration unless he chooses to resign or the senate wishes to elect another to office.

DEWEY'S STRANGE ACTION.

First Gives His House to His Wife, Who Immediately Transfers it to George Dewey—Their Odd Explanation.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—George Goodwin Dewey, Admiral Dewey's only son, is now the owner of the residence presented to the admiral by the American people. Papers were signed today by which Mrs. Dewey transferred all her right and title to the property to George Dewey.

This is the property which yesterday Admiral Dewey transferred to Mrs. Dewey. In explanation of the transfer, representatives of the Dewey family made this statement to the Associated Press:

"The Admiral and Mrs. Dewey have transferred to the former's son the title to the home presented to the admiral by the people of this country. It will continue to be the home of the admiral and Mrs. Dewey so long as he may live. It was the wish of both Admiral and Mrs. Dewey to provide for the proper succession to the property.

"The transfer of today is the carrying out only of the original intention

of both the admiral and Mrs. Dewey. It was Mrs. Dewey's desire that she should release any claim she might have to the property through her marriage to the admiral and to do this the transfer was made through her to the admiral's son as soon as it was practicable."

Through the method adopted, no dispute can ever arise over the disposition of the property.

CUTTER FOR THE SOUND.

Three Vessels of the Revenue Marine Necessary to Look After the Increasing Commerce.

TACOMA, Nov. 21.—A new revenue cutter is to be assigned to duty on Puget sound and is to remain here subject to call in emergency cases or to go to the rescue of derelicts or wrecks. The Manning, now at New York, will start for the Sound in a short time, and will arrive here early next year. The revenue cutters Corwin and Grant now here are to be detached permanently from the Alaska fleet and remain on duty on the Sound.

AFTER HUNTINGTON.

Dissatisfied Share Holder of Southern Pacific Going Into Court With His Trouble.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21.—The Examiner says that Walter Mobshead of London, who is a shareholder in the Southern Pacific Railroad Company, and seeks to set aside the reorganization plan, has filed a supplemental bill in the United States circuit court. In his bill the court is asked to set aside the transfer of the property of the Central Pacific to the Central Pacific Railway Company, of Utah. The appointment of a receiver for the company is also requested.

UNITED STATES HIGHLY HONORED

THE QUEEN'S STATE BANQUET

Wife of Ambassador Choate Only Woman Outside of Royalty Present at the Brilliant Ceremony.

WINDSOR, Eng., Nov. 21.—The state banquet this evening in St. Georges hall was an unusually brilliant affair. Queen Victoria sat at the center of the long table, at each end of which were specially constructed side boards on which was piled gold plate to the height of 15 feet. The massive gold plate used at the banquet is estimated to be worth 2,000,000 pounds.

The queen sat facing the Prince of Wales. On her right was Emperor William and on her left the Duke of Connaught. Mrs. Choate, wife of the United States ambassador, had the sixth place. The Empress Augusta Victoria sat on the right of the Prince of Wales, with Ambassador Choate in the sixth place. Mrs. Joseph Choate, wife of the ambassador, was the only diplomat's wife at the banquet.

The toasts were very formal. In today's shooting the Kaiser bagged 178 pheasants, one partridge and 37 rabbits with a mauser magazine rifle.

DISTINGUISHED GATHERING.

New York Chamber of Commerce Banquet—Toasts Drunk to the President and Queen Victoria.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—The 131st annual banquet of the chamber of commerce was held at Delmonico's tonight, and brought together 500 representative business men of New York.

There were also a number of distinguished guests present, including Governor Roosevelt, Senators Platt and Dewey, Ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed. President Jessup first proposed the toast "To the President of the United States."

The toast was drunk standing. Next President Jessup proposed a toast to Queen Victoria, while the orchestra played "God Save the Queen."

Governor Roosevelt and Thomas B. Reed, ex-speaker of the house of representatives both spoke and were warmly received.

ESTCOURT NOW CUT OFF FROM COMMUNICATION

Boer Command Established at Willow Grange and the Telegraph Wires Have Been Cut.

AMPLE SUPPLIES AT LADYSMITH

Boers Said to Be Pillaging Horses and Farms Near Estcourt—Slight Engagement in Which English Were Successful.

LONDON, Nov. 22, 5 a. m.—An announcement from Durban that communication with Estcourt is interrupted seems to confirm the belief that the Boer command has established itself at Willow Grange, or near Mooi river, and has cut the telegraph wires.

Nevertheless, whatever definite news the British commanders may have obtained from their scouts of the disposition of the Boer commands in Natal and the condition of the beleaguered garrisons particularly, nothing has been allowed to develop for public information.

AMPLE SUPPLIES AT LADYSMITH

DURBAN, Nov. 21.—The government has received the following advice from Colonel Royston, commandant of volunteers at Ladysmith, under date of Nov. 16:

"All volunteers and police are well and there are plentiful supplies for man and horse."

FIGHTING AT ESTCOURT.

Boers Retreated but Took 500 Head of Cattle With Them.

DURBAN, Natal, Nov. 21.—Seven hundred Boers from Weeman took up a strong position on the highlands, 13 miles south of Estcourt. Major Thornycroft, with a detachment of mounted infantry and the Estcourt carabineers, engaged the Boers, of whom three were killed, including their commandant. The Boers withdrew, taking 500 head of cattle captured at Turner's farm. The main Boer force south of Estcourt is reported to have retired.

BOERS PILLAGING.

One Farmer Victim Waylaid Then and Shot Eight.

ESTCOURT, Nov. 21.—Rumors of the glorious victory achieved by General White Wednesday last are still unconfirmed. Little confidence is attached to

them, especially as the rumors' added that White had threatened to place many hundreds of prisoners in conspicuous places should the shelling of the town continue.

Reports from the southward say the Boers are operating as pillaging parties, looting stores, stealing cattle and ransacking houses. It is added that one farmer became so incensed that he stalked a party of 150 Boers, eventually shooting eight of them.

ASSEMBLYMEN JOIN BOERS.

CAPE TOWN, Nov. 21.—The Midland News says Messrs. Vanderbalt and Collier, members of the Cape assembly, have joined the Boers at Colisburg.

BOND PURCHASES ARE BRISK.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—The Evening Post says: Sub-treasury officials did a brisk business in the bond purchase today, paying out more than \$1,777,000 (par value) for securities received. This brings the total disbursements in this city on bond account since Wednesday's treasury order became effective up to more than \$8,750,000.

DIXON BEATS TENNY.

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